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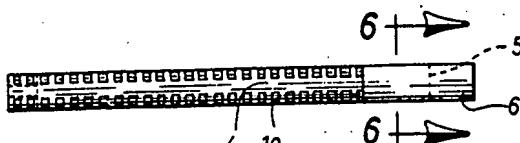
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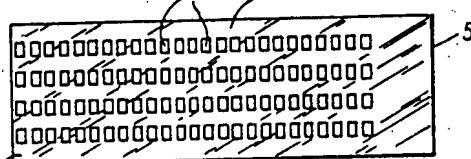
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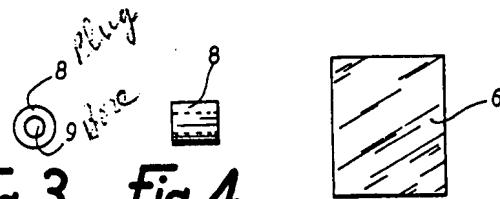
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*Fig. 1*



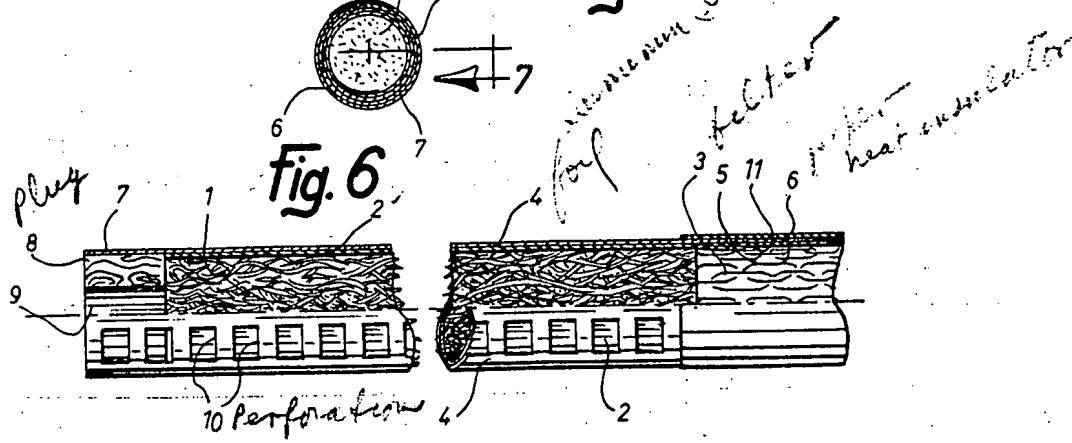
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THE EMBODIMENTS OF THE INVENTION IN  
WHICH AN EXCLUSIVE PROPERTY OR PRIVILEGE IS CLAIMED,  
ARE DEFINED AS FOLLOWS:-

1- A cigarette comprising a body of tobacco, an air barrier sheet surrounding said body, and a perforated metallic foil surrounding said sheet, said foil providing a smooth outer surface and being coextensive with at least the portion of said body of tobacco adapted to be burnt.

2- A cigarette as claimed in claim 1, wherein the perforations of the metallic foil stops short of the butt end of the cigarette.

3- A cigarette as claimed in claim 1, wherein the perforations of the metallic foil stop short of the end of said foil adjacent the butt end of the cigarette.

4- A cigarette as claimed in claim 1, 2 or 3, wherein the perforations of said metallic foil are substantially equally distributed over at least the major surface portion of said foil.

5- A cigarette as claimed in claims 1, 2 or 3, further including a layer of heat-insulating material covering said foil at the butt end of the cigarette.

6- A cigarette as claimed in claims 1, 2 or 3, wherein the perforations of said metallic foil are substantially equally distributed over at least the major surface portion of said foil and further including a layer of heat-insulating material covering said foil at the butt end of the cigarette.

7- A cigarette as claimed in claims 1, 2 or 3, further including a filter tip at the butt end of the cigarette, said foil partly covering said filter tip.

8- A cigarette as claimed in claims 1, 2 or 3, further including a filter tip at the butt end of said cigarette, said foil partly covering said filter tip and a layer of heat-insulating material surrounding the metal foil at the butt end of the cigarette.

9- A cigarette as claimed in claims 1, 2 or 3, further including a bored plug extending from the ignition end of the cigarette and coaxial with the latter, said metallic foil surrounding said plug.

10- A cigarette as claimed in claim 1, 2 or 3, wherein the perforations of said metallic foil are substantially equally distributed over at least the major surface portion of said foil, and further including a bored plug extending from the ignition end of the cigarette and coaxial with the latter, said metallic foil surrounding said plug.

11- A cigarette as claimed in claim 1, 2 or 3, wherein one end of said cigarette has a filter tip, said foil at least partly surrounding said filter tip, and a bored plug extending from the other end of said cigarette and coaxial with the latter, said foil surrounding said bored plug.

12- A cigarette as claimed in claims 1, 2 or 3, further including a filter tip at one end of the cigarette and a bored plug extending from the other end of said cigarette and coaxial therewith, said foil partly surrounding said filter tip and surrounding said bored plug and a layer of heat-insulating material covering said filter tip and the portion of said foil surrounding said filter tip.

